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NEWPORT NEWS.

Charges Preferred Against Chief Harwood and Other Officers.

The Hearing Postponed For Five Days—A New Market to Be Established—A Double Launching Booked For 21st. Instant.

Newport News, Va., June 15.—There is an effort on foot in Bloodfield to oust the entire police force.

Chief of Police Boatwright and Officers Williamson and Edwards were served with notices yesterday summoning them to appear before the Board of Police Commissioners of Newport Magisterial District to show cause why they should not be removed for malfeasance and misfeasance in office. At the appointed hour the accused officers repaired to Justice Jones' office and there met the three Police Commissioners, R. T. Smith, chairman; A. C. Pulliam and J. H. Horton, Commissioners. The hearing was postponed for five days.

The chairman of the board announced that he was ready to proceed to business and Mr. Wilcox straightway took the floor. He started out by making wholesale charges of incompetency against each of the accused officers and urged their removal from the office. Chief Boatwright, he said, was incompetent and was as much fit to be Chief of Police as he was to run an engine on a sea-going steamer; he spent all of his time riding around in his buggy, greatly neglecting his business. Mr. Wilcox charged that Officer Williamson was often drunk and that Edwards was not fit to be an officer. In fact, said the Commonwealth's Attorney, the three officers were not only incompetent, but not in accord with him, with the Police Justice and with the peaceful interests of the community. Instead of seeing the law carried out, he alleged, the accused officers were themselves the lawbreakers. Attorney C. C. Mitchell happened to be passing and the officers, who had no counsel, engaged him, with the result that the hearing was continued five days.

A NEW MARKET.

The Newport News Market Company has been organized with Mr. F. F. Finch as president and vice president. The company will have an up-to-date market which will cost no less than \$20,000. The style of the new building will be something similar to that of the Lexington Market in Baltimore. The meat, produce and fish departments will be separate.

DOUBLE LAUNCHING.

A definite date has been fixed for the launching of two more of the Morgan Line vessels at the ship-yard. The liner El Rio and the magnificent tug El Amico will go overboard Saturday, June 24th.

No hour for the launching has been fixed, but both vessels will have received their baptism before noon. It is probable that El Rio will be sent from the ways about 10 o'clock and the tug a half hour later.

El Rio will be christened by Miss Miriam L. Post, of Albany, N. Y., sister of Mr. Walter A. Post, the general superintendent of the company.

El Amico will be christened by Miss Emma Rowbottom, of this city.

PETERSBURG.

PRIZE AWARDED VETERANS—DEPOSITIONS—PERSONAL.

Petersburg, Va., June 15.—Commander John R. Turner yesterday received a letter announcing that A. P. Hill Camp of Confederate Veterans of this city had been awarded the prize for having the greater number of men at the reunion of any camp outside of Charleston, S. C. The prize is a safe given by the Alpine Safe and Cycle Company, of Cincinnati, and it is understood that the camp will install it in their hall as an interesting memento of the reunion and use it for the preservation of the camp's rolls, books and important documents.

BREVITIES.

J. Knox Pannill, auctioneer, sold, at public auction, yesterday afternoon, the Heath property on Market street. It was knocked out to John D. Watkins at \$5,600. The sale was quite largely attended, but there were but few bidders.

Herbert Multhead, white, and Willie Jones, colored, charged with the theft of \$50 from the person of C. S. Davis, had a hearing before the Mayor yesterday morning. Both of the accused were sent on for trial at the Hustings Court.

The public schools of Petersburg closed today for the session. The exercises were as usual, and there was a large attendance.

Mr. C. H. Davis, son of Mr. R. B. Davis, of this city, graduated yesterday at Randolph-Macon College, receiving the degree of M. A.

SECRETARY PLEASANTS RESIGNS.

The resignation of Mr. C. E. Pleasants as general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in this city has been accepted by the Board of Directors of the association. Mr. Pleasants will be succeeded by Mr. J. H. Sherrill, of Memphis, Tenn., who will enter upon his duties on the 15th of July next.

Mr. Pleasants will go to Richmond College on the first of July next to study for the Methodist ministry.

It is worth your while to look into the merits of The Gale Jewelry Company's Diamond and Watch Clubs. Ninth club now forming; no installment plan, but \$1 a week.

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CITY CHARTERS.

A Growing Sentiment Towards Home Rule, More Elasticity, Less Red Tape and Restriction by State Legislatures.

(American Land and Law Register (Detroit).)

That it would be as dangerous as unwise to cut the Gordian Knot and throw the machinery of city government wide open to the political spoilsman is apparent. That a reasonable amount of safeguarding State legislation and control of municipal affairs is as necessary as it is proper is equally plain to see.

When the nation was young laws were made defining relations between the State and the municipality which then admirably served all purposes. Such enactments have been carried forward and incorporated upon the statutes of new States with but little change. While in the main conservative, well calculated to serve the best interests of all and framed with good intent, there is a growing feeling that the radically changing conditions and needs of the times make necessary the consideration of better and more elastic methods, in a word, that the city should govern itself as best suits its requirements, unfettered by slow and cumbersome red tape.

As a general proposition a municipality of whatever its population may be, naturally has much keener appreciation of its wants and needs than a State legislature composed largely of rural members wholly (and very naturally) unfamiliar with the metropolitan idea. It does not seem reasonable that a city desiring certain changes for its betterment should be compelled to await a session of the State solons a year or two hence, then presenting a bill which is so often jebbed, traded and mutilated as to be of little service when passed. The intelligence of the citizens would quickly settle such questions at a local election—special or regular—and in the main, settle it right.

Between the two extremes of too much cumbersome restriction there is a happy medium, a good, common sense proposition built upon practical business principles, which merits the careful study of citizens generally, and especially of those who have to do with municipal government.

The wise sage of old spoke truly when asked as to his idea of government, "relying, 'that country is governed best which is governed least.'"

The volumes of wisdom in this laconic declaration apply equally well to the city. If much of the rubbish, the antiquated verbiage now encumbering the codes of cities would give place to fewer clean cut and practically applicable rules and regulations the intelligent spirit of the age would be better served.

There are far too many wards, too many aldermen, too many slow moving, inefficient and cumbersome committees in most cities. There is too much government, an overabundance of complex municipal machinery, a needless raft of rangers on of pay drawers, a surplus of politics and politicians, a dearth of real business and business methods. But, these various problems are being studied, the remedies in educated public opinion and an intelligent ballot which will lop off the barnacles.

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT MARCH 12, 1899.—LEAVE NORFOLK DAILY.

7:40 a. m.—For Richmond, Washington, Lynchburg and the West.
8:35 p. m.—Vestibuled Limited for Richmond and Washington. Stops only at Suffolk, Waverly and Petersburg.
7:25 p. m.—For Petersburg, Lynchburg, the West and Southwest.
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Tickets and all information at station and 10 Granby street.

W. B. DEVILL, General Passenger Agent.

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Le. Norfolk 9:00 a. m. 5:35 p. m.

Ar. Raleigh 3:30 p. m. 2:09 a. m.

Ar. Durham 4:43 p. m. 3:10 a. m.

Ar. Greensboro 5:35 p. m. 4:15 a. m.

Ar. Salisbury 7:00 p. m. 6:40 a. m.

Ar. Asheville 12:10 a. m. 2:25 p. m.

Ar. Hot Springs 1:20 a. m. 3:57 p. m.

Ar. Knoxville 4:15 a. m. 1:30 p. m.

Ar. Chattanooga 7:40 a. m. 1:35 p. m.

Ar. Nashville 6:55 p. m. 6:40 a. m.

Ar. Charlotte 9:55 p. m. 7:55 a. m.

Ar. Atlanta 5:10 a. m. 3:55 p. m.

Ar. Montgomery 1:45 p. m. 9:30 p. m.

Ar. Mobile 3:45 p. m. 3:05 a. m.

Ar. New Orleans 3:45 p. m. 7:40 a. m.

Ar. Birmingham 11:20 a. m. 10:00 p. m.

Ar. Memphis 9:20 p. m. 7:45 a. m.

Ar. Columbia 1:37 a. m. 11:25 a. m.

Ar. Augusta 8:00 a. m. 2:45 p. m.

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